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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Eugene M. LEE : Examiner: Jonathan P. Ouellette
Serial No.: 09/460,806 : Art Unit: 3629
Filed: December 14, 1999 :
For: FEE TRANSACTION SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR INTELLECTUAL
PROPERTY ACQUISITION AND/OR MAINTENANCE

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed June 26, 2002, having a three-month shortened statutory period of response set to expire September 26, 2002. A Petition for a Three-Month Extension, together with the requisite fee (\$920.00) for the same is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period of response to December 26, 2002. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as indicated in attached Appendix A (mark-up) and Appendix B (replacement sheets for pages 7, 14, 17, 21 and 22). The specification has been amended as required in the Office Action (1) to properly title the "Brief Description of Drawings", and (2) to conform to the drawings including a mention of reference characters 209A, 209B, 242, 252, 409, 411, and 426, and new reference character 209C. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added. These amendments are made to overcome certain objections to the drawings and the objection to the specification.

In view of the amended specification and drawings, the Examining Attorney is respectfully requested to withdraw the objections thereto.